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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. George A. Morgan  
Acting Director  
Psychological Strategy Board

SUBJECT: Draft Reply to Nelson Rockefeller

I have carefully considered C. D. Jackson's draft of  
a reply to Nelson Rockefeller. I heartily concur.

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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April 3, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable  
Allen W. Dulles  
Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Draft Reply to Nelson Rockefeller

I attach C. D. Jackson's draft of a reply  
to Nelson Rockefeller.

Please let me know whether you concur or  
wish to suggest changes.

  
GEORGE A. MORGAN  
Acting Director

Attachment:

Ltr to Nelson Rockefeller  
fr C. D. Jackson, Draft 4/2/53

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**SECURITY INFORMATION** April 2, 1953

Dear Nelson:-

At today's NSB meeting the entire Board discussed your proposed language covering the reorganization of the International Information Activities and the Psychological Strategy Board contained in your communication of March 21.

Besides this, General Steele Smith gave us a memorandum covering a more recent discussion between yourself and Don Lourie which as I understand it came up with recommendations somewhat different from those outlined in your March 21st communication.

NSB's reaction is as follows:

*Very truly yours*  
The Board feels that the overall problem of the ultimate organization of the Government's International Information programs, both overt and covert, should be a primary concern of Bill Jackson's Committee, and requested that Bill Jackson be advised of this fact in order that he might advance his schedule in such a way as to produce a recommendation from his Committee, after consultation with your group and with NSB, in time for any necessary legislative action.

As to the ideas arising out of your more recent discussion with Don Lourie, the Board felt that while it was normal and appropriate and feasible to have the head of the overt international information activities administratively responsible to the President, it was both unrealistic and impractical to have him "report jointly with the Secretary of State to the President when matters of foreign policy are concerned, and jointly with the Secretary of Defense where matters of military policy are concerned."

*Very truly yours*  
The Board was also concerned with the dangers inherent in having the Board become too large, feeling that only a really small and manageable group could effectively handle matters of policy, particularly the delicate matters involving coordination between overt and covert. The Board therefore felt that the top operating people should be responsible to, or at least tie in to, the Board for purposes of coordination, but should not be members of the Board.

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Nelson Rockefeller

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